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Title: WATER REPELLENT SILICONE  
COATING AGENT COMPOSITION

Serial No.: 09/997,749

Filed: November 29, 2001

Docket Number: TSL1685

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) Examiner: Margaret G. Moore  
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) May 20, 2003

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of pending Claims 1-20 in the above-identified patent application. Claims 1-20 were rejected in the Examiner's office action with a mailing date of February 20, 2003.

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 1 as follows

1. (Amended Once) A water repellent silicone coating agent composition comprising

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